

2006 – 2007 NEW APPLICANT FACT SHEET

NATIONAL GUARD ASSUMPTION PROGRAM OF LOANS FOR EDUCATION (NGAPLE)

The National Guard Assumption Program of Loans for Education (NGAPLE) is a state-funded program designed to provide an incentive for persons to enlist or reenlist in the National Guard, the State Military Reserve, or the Naval Militia. This program authorizes the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to make payments on student loans on behalf of program participants who took out those loans to finance their undergraduate education or specified vocational training. The loan payments would begin after those program participants enlist, reenlist or in the case of officers, commit to serve and after they complete one year of satisfactory military service. Participants are obligated to serve four consecutive years to receive up to \$11,000.00 in loan payments. CSAC will select participants from persons who apply and are nominated by the Office of the Adjutant General.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Agree to enlist, or reenlist, or in the case of an officer, commit to serve, in the National Guard, the State Military Reserve, or the Naval Militia.
- Has completed a baccalaureate degree, or is currently enrolled, in good standing, in a program of undergraduate instruction on at least a half-time basis, at an institution of higher education in California, or is enrolled in or has completed a program of instruction in a qualified vocational diploma program at an institution in California or is on academic leave of absence because of active duty status from an institution or program in California.
- The applicant has received or is approved to receive a loan to meet the costs for undergraduate work or a qualified vocational diploma program under one or more of the following designated loan programs: The Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFEL), the Federal Direct Loan Program, or any program approved by the Commission on a case by case basis but not including lines of credit, home equity loans, credit card debt and other general consumer loans, business loans, personal loans or mortgages.
- Is a resident of California for at least one year immediately preceding the date of application to the program or any loan assumption payment.

HOW TO APPLY

NOTE: TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE!!! Applicants must submit their application materials as soon as possible to the Office of the Adjutant General (see address below) since all nominations must be certified by their authorized representative and then sent to CSAC for the selection process. Applications must be processed, nominations made, and awardees selected **NO LATER THAN June 30, 2007**. *The legislation authorizing this program becomes inoperative on July 1, 2007.*

Applications are available online at www.csac.ca.gov, to be printed out, completed and submitted to the address below.

Persons who meet the above requirements should obtain an application and submit a completed application package directly to:

Office of the Adjutant General, Joint Forces Headquarters
9800 Goethe Rd., Box 26
Sacramento, CA 95826
(916)854-3227.

Because of the time constraints a Loan Assumption Agreement (LAA) is enclosed with the application, to be signed and returned with the application packet, pending selection and acceptance as a participant by CSAC.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Process: The Office of the Adjutant General may nominate all eligible applicants. They will certify an applicant's status as a qualifying member of the National Guard, State Military Reserve, or the Naval Militia, and certify their active duty status per CA Code of Regulations Title 5, Division 4, Chapter 1, Article 14.5, Section 30714 (b). They will then forward the nominations to CSAC for review, scoring and selection of participants. CSAC may select up to 100 participants for the 2006-2007 academic year.

SELECTION AND AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Commission will review all nominations and rank eligible applicants by active duty status score. The Commission will announce selected awardees by mailing award letters to selected participants no later than June 30, 2007.

For additional information, please contact the Commission's Specialized Programs Operations Branch (888) 224-7268 option 3, or email, specialized@csac.ca.gov, or check CSAC's website: www.csac.ca.gov

